REMARKS

In response to the Election Requirement dated March 19, 2008, Applicant elects, without traverse, Group I: Claims 1-6, 8-10, and 20. Applicant now withdraws claims 13-19 and 21-22.

CONCLUSION

The Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicant requests that a Notice of Allowance be issued in the present case.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned in the event that a telephone interview would expedite consideration of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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